



Wendell R. Carman

January 27, 1947 - September 11, 2013

Wendell R. Carman of Bradley, died Wednesday (Sept. 11, 2013) at his home. He was born Jan. 27, 1947, in Rosiclare, the son of Everette and Katie Rawhoof Carman. He married Linda Decker on May 1, 1965, in Joliet. Mr. Carman was a longtime successful businessman. He owned and operated The Pawn Shop in Kankakee for 33 years. He also owned and operated a number of taverns over the years beginning in 1978 with Chances R, The Artesian and Kool Hand Lukes with his best friend, Ray Dykstra. Prior to being a business owner, Wendell worked at A.O. Smith. He was a member of Oak Springs Golf Club, The National Pawn Brokers Association and The Illinois Pawnbrokers Association. Over the years, his hobbies included golfing, playing pool and riding motorcycles with his friends, vacationing in Key West, Fla., and Door County, Wis., and most of all, spending time with his two very special grandsons. Surviving are one son, Ron Carman, of Bradley; one daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Mike Blanchette, of Crescent City; two very special grandsons, Michael Blanchette and Jacob Blanchette, both of Crescent City; three sisters and three brothers-in-law, Catherine Riley, of Golconda, Ann (Bill) Robinson, of Rosiclare, Doris (Donnie) Millis, and Eugene Walker, all of Golconda; three brothers and four sisters-in-law, Jerry (Bonnie) Carman, of Kankakee, Herschel (Frances) Carman, of Waxahachie, Texas, Hubert (Charlene) Carman, of Golconda, and Betty Carman, of Waukegan; many nieces and nephews; two brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Wayne and Carol Decker, of Bourbonnais, and Nancy and Don La Brake of

Apopka, Fla.; and so many great friends. Wendell was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers and two sisters-in-law, Gene and Virginia Rawhoff, Curt Carman, Everette Jr. and Delaine Carman; two sisters and two brothers-in-law, Madeline and AB Carr, Loris Walker and Don Riley; and two nieces, Sherry and Helen. Memorial visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the 1 p.m. memorial service on Saturday, Sept. 21, at the ClancyGernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. The Rev. Pat Skelly will officiate. Inurnment will follow at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or to the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

SEP 21. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Bourbonnais, IL 60914
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

DL

“ *Enjoyed all the times we shared fishing & hunting Will always remember you Don*



Don LaBrake - September 22, 2013 at 09:59 PM

NL

“ *I will always remember all the great times we shared over the years, you are one of a kind and will be sadly missed. Glad I could come home and spend time with my sister Linda & neice & nephew, at this difficult time. May you rest in peace Love Nancy LaBrake*



Nancy LaBrake - September 22, 2013 at 09:47 PM

JB

“ *there are not enough words to express the sadness we feel with your passing. we are grateful for the time we had with you here you may be gone but never forgotten. dave share his memories of you and him and i sit and laugh, you were a very special friend to dave. my our condolences to your family and may you watch over them. until we all meet again you will forever be in our hearts. david & janet boucher*

janice boucher - September 21, 2013 at 10:47 PM



Rennetta
Smith

“ Thoughts and prayers to Wendell's family in your time of mourning.

Wendell and my dad, Paul Jenco, were close friends. When Dad was dying of cancer, he wouldn't see most people. And though he and Wendell hadn't been speaking, Wendell came to see him. Wendell sat with him for hours and made his day. I have a lot of fond memories of Wendell. He was always good to me. But my fondest memory of him is that he sat with an old friend and brought a smile to his face on one of his last days.



Rennetta Smith - September 19, 2013 at 06:57 PM

AH

“ Aunt Linda

First of all my family and I want to send our deepest sympathy to you, Ronnie, Lisa, and Mike, and to Jake and Michael. Most importantly I am so thankful and very blessed that I was able to come with mom and spend that time with uncle Wendall. I enjoyed playing cards and listening to how you both met and just listening to family stories and just spending some quality time with you all. My heart just hurts for you all and I want you to know that I love you and that you all are in my prayers. Uncle Wendall was loved and will be missed so very much.



*Love,
Ann Holmes & Family*

Ann Holmes - September 17, 2013 at 01:46 PM

SU

“ Sorry for your loss. Wendell was my friend. I'll miss him RIP Bob Ivey

Sue - September 17, 2013 at 12:55 PM

ST

“ Offering my deepest condolences to the Carman family for the loss of your dear loved one. May your treasured memories and the drawing ever closer to God in prayer help begin to bring you comfort during these difficult days of sorrow. (2Cor1:3,4)(Rev21:3,4)

Stephanie - September 16, 2013 at 10:08 AM

CS

“ RIP My Old Friend You will be greatly missed. I Did Finally get my FOID Thank You.
Gone but Never Forgotten.

Curt Spencer - September 15, 2013 at 09:34 PM

SG

“ Wendell, You were one of my best friends! We worked together at 3 coins on 5th Ave. Never romantically involved, just the kind of friend who was there for me, no matter what! Protecting me from stupid mistakes! I always loved you! Rest in peace, my friend. Till we meet again! My prayers & sympathy go to your family!

Susie Glen - September 15, 2013 at 08:41 PM

RG

“ So long old friend till we meet once again. Not many people have a friendship that's lasts 50 years but you were like a Brother I never had. I'm so happy I spent time with you recently, it was one of the best times I ever spent with you. You will be greatly missed by all that crossed paths with you throughout your life because you were truly one of the GOOD GUYS. You never gave up and were a Warrior until the end. A inspiration to all you left behind but will see again one day. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family and loved ones. Never goodbye just so long our paths will cross one day.. Rod Girard

Rod Girard - September 15, 2013 at 02:49 PM

DS

“ REST IN PEACE MY GOOD FRIEND FROM DAYS GONE BY,MAY WE RIDE OUR BIKES AGAIN IN HEAVEN SOMEDAY. DONALD J. STEEN SR.

DONALD J. STEEN - September 15, 2013 at 01:41 PM

SK

“ Uncle Wendell,

Only spent time with Uncle Wendell at family picnics, but we always enjoyed ourselves. Mom and dad, Gene and Virginia, thought a lot of your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Sandy and Gary Kern and Family

Sandy Kern - September 15, 2013 at 07:23 AM

EC

“ Our Deepest sympathy to you Aunt Linda, Ronnie and Lisa From Cousins, Everette Lee and James and Donald and Billy Carman you are in our thoughts and prayers forever Uncle Wendell was LOVED and will be Missed.



Everette Lee, James ,Donald and Billy Carman and Familys

Everette Lee CArman - September 15, 2013 at 02:10 AM

EW

“ Our deepest smypathy and condolences to you Aunt Linda, Ronnie and Lisa. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Uncle Wendell was loved and will be missed.

*Love,
Eric Wooley & Family*

Eric Wooley - September 14, 2013 at 08:43 PM

DR

“ Uncle Wendell,
My parents, Eugene & Virginia, always enjoyed their time with you. My dad was so happy when he found out that he had a bunch of brothers & sisters, & he thought it was great when he was able to spend time with all of you. Rest in peace. My condolences to the immediate family.
Don Rawhoof

Don Rawhoof - September 13, 2013 at 06:39 PM

DM

“ *Linda, Ronnie, Lisa and Mike, Michael and Jake
Love You all so much. There will always be sadness without
Wendell, but love for and memories of him in our hearts. Praying for
peace and comfort for all of us.*

*Love,
Donnie and Doris*

Doris Millis - September 13, 2013 at 06:27 PM

JJ

“ *we are going to miss you wendell.you were always a good friend
and a nice guy.will never forget you.jim and caryl foy*

jim - September 13, 2013 at 01:49 PM



“ *I prayed for your strong and peace... he is my favorite uncle that I
grew up and I missed him everyday.. I wont forget about him.. I
always thinking of u. Love your nephew James Carman*

James Carman - September 13, 2013 at 10:36 AM

BD

“ *Linda,
Thinking of you. May God grant you peace and comfort during this
time.*

*Love,
Tom and Betty Dietz*

Betty Dietz - September 13, 2013 at 07:44 AM

GE

“ *Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts. You're in my thoughts and prayers. Love & prayers, Gina (Walker) & Rick Eddington*

Gina Eddington - September 13, 2013 at 12:49 AM

RD

“ *My heart aches for you all. I know that Uncle Wendell is celebrating a new, eternal life with our Heavenly Father and with his family and friends that have passed on before him. My prayers, thoughts and love are with you all. Rita Dunning and family*



RITA DUNNING - September 12, 2013 at 09:19 PM